4. Secretary
Department of Official Language

5. Secretary
Department of Revenue

6. Registrar General of India

7. Secretary
Ministry of Defence

8. Secretary
Economic Advisory Council to the PM

9. Secretary
Ministry of Minority Affairs

10. Secretary
Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs

Generation of Maximum Employment

†2660. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that maximum wealth could be earned by industrial development and expansion in the country whereas maximum persons would be provided benefit of job opportunities by the development and expansion of agriculture;

(b) if so, the facts thereof and the reaction of Government in this regard;

(c) whether it is a fact that today there is a need to generate maximum employment in the country; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M. V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) to (d) The rate of growth of GDP in Agriculture and Manufacturing sector during 1999-2000 to 2004-05 has been estimated

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at 1.59% and 6.46% per annum respectively, as per estimates from CSO. During the same period the rate of growth of employment in the agriculture and manufacturing sectors has been estimated at 0.87% and 3.83% per annum respectively, as per estimates available from two most recent quinquennial rounds of National Sample Survey Organisation.

The Approach Paper to the Eleventh Five Year Plan envisages creation of 70 million new work opportunities.

Report of C. Rangarajan Committee on J&K

†2661. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that C. Rangarajan Committee to make suggestions on J&K was constituted in March, 2005;

(b) if so, whether the committee has submitted its reports to Government;

(c) if so, the salient features of the report; and

(d) the plan to implement the recommendations of the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M. V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) A Task Force to frame a long-term Plan for the integrated social and economic development of Jammu & Kashmir was constituted *vide* the Prime Minister's Office Notification No. 670/57/C/18/05-E&S.I. dated 29th March, 2005.

(b) The Task Force submitted its report in December, 2006.

(c) The report includes recommendations on the initiatives related to the infrastructure sectors (power, telecom and roads), employment intensive sectors (tourism and horticulture), the health sector and a few other initiatives that would yield quick results while also laying the basis for Jammu & Kashmir's long terms development.

(d) It has been decided to appropriately incorporate provisions on the recommendations made in the Report of the Task Force in the Eleventh Five Year Plan.

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